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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. John H. Weller

Inspector General

VIA:

Deputy Director for Operations

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Chief, Policy and Coordination Staff

SUBJECT:

Material Provided by the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control

REPERENCE:

Your Memorandum to the DDO Dated

14 December 1977

- 1. This memorandum attaches a draft of a letter which it is suggested you may wish to send to Popresentative Wolff.
- 2. The Harcotics Control Group of the Policy and Coordination Staff has reviewed the referenced material. No information was extracted from the House Select Conmittee files since we do not believe that the material therein would significantly assist us in the collection of intelligence on the foreign aspects of narcotics production and trafficking. Therefore, my memorandum to you dated 21 February 1973 on this same subject may be disregarded.
- 3. Any questions with regard to this matter may be referred to PCS/NAR.



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## Attachments:

Suggested Letter to Representative Holff

2. Eight File Folders (Containing Subject Material)

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Honorable Lester L. Wolff, Chairman Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The naterial provided to the Central Intelligence Agency by the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse	•
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hoon reviewed by the appropriate closents of the Agency.	

CIA has no information to support allegations that Pidel Castro and the Cuban Covernment may be involved either directly or in a supporting capacity in the international trafficking of narcotics.

The !	louse Select Committee files contain several
references	s listing the CIA among those Federal agencies
involved i	in active investigation of the
	matter. We should like to correct the record
in this re	egard. This Agency is not, in fact, involved
	mestic investigation of this case which is
essential	ly a law enforcement matter.

The House Select Committee Staff states that cortain members of the Cuban exile community allegedly involved in the \_\_\_\_\_ case may have had or still have an operational relationship with this Agency. Some of the persons associated with the \_\_\_\_\_ did in fact have a previous relationship with CIA. For example,

Bay of Pigs, but was included among the reasoned prisoners returned in December 1952. Our records do

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since that time. Furthermore, we have examined our records concerning all of the other principals under investigation and there is no current CIA operational relationship with any of these individuals. CIA has provided the Drug Enforcement Administration and the South Florida Terrorist and Narcotics Intelligence Task Force with information from our files concerning the past activities of individuals allegedly associated with the principal or involved in other related investigations by these agencies.

Again we should like to emphasize that CIA is concerned with only the foreign aspects of narcotics trafficking and production. While the Agency is allowed to collect, store and disseminate information concerning U.S. persons involved in such illicit activities, it does not participate in law enforcement investigations. CIA has supplied foreign narcotics intelligence information to law enforcement agencies, but does not take an "active" investigative role.

With regard to the DEA statement that CIA had showed "concern" about current criminal investigations in Mismi, our records indicate no such expression of concern, except for the normal concern for the continued protection of sensitive sources and methods. He should appreciate any clarification of this statement which you or your Staff can provide us.

Respectfully,

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